

TESTIMONIES—FJC CAGAYAN DE ORO

"I really praise the Lord for providng all my needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus. Before I joined the cellgroup here in CDO, I struggled in the area of finances. My husband is a "trisikad" (padjak) driver and meeting our daily needs had always been an issue with his meager income. God is good because He led me to study and learn the technique of massage/reflexology and gave me clients for home service. I learned to obey God in the area of giving my tithes/offerings through our cellgroup and Sunday service. Now, the Lord gave me not only acquaintances but public figures here as regular customers for home service and it helped a lot in our finances. Glory to God!" Sis. Nenita Ramas

"I am a victim of domestic violence and abuse from my foster family. The experience brought me shame and anguish and deep pain but I held on to God believing He is the restorer of my life, especially my teen age life. Praise God that I felt His love and care through a family belonging to FJC church here in CDO who adopted me after my ordeal. I also felt sincere acceptance from the whole FJC Spiritual Family where I attend now, which I longed to experience from a real natural family. I needed to continue the ongoing legal battle for this and it's not easy but praise God that He carries me through so I don't feel all alone. He is my strength!" Sis. Jovelyn

"I thank the Lord for transforming me after I joined the cellgroup here. I used to be a "busy body" and a tale-bearer in our community before, so much so that I got involved in most of the troubles in our barangay zone. Thank God, He made me lose my appetite in the sin of the tongue like slander, rumor mongering, backbiting, intrigues and the likes. Amazingly, I don't want to go near people talking bad about others or listening to them anymore. He has delivered me from this sin and weakness. Glory to Him!" Vernie Maga

"I have been asking the Lord to hear my petitions regarding the "road right of way" in my dwelling place. It was a long- standing request until finally, I joined the prayer and fasting here. The Lord honored my faith and my intimacy with Him. Now, the road is granted to us and made our place very convenient to reach. I also thank God that He gives me strength every Sunday to reach the 3rd floor of the

building where our church here is situated. I always ask the Holy Spirit to bring me up considering that I am now 83 years old and there is no elevator here. Thank God that He enables me to still attend the service regularly."

Sis. Nieves Camaru

"I was contemplating on ending my life a year ago when I got involved with a guy who left me for another girl. We lived together in the same house outside of marriage for some time and eventually had a child by him. When he left me, I felt so desperate and many times I tried to commit suicide, but everytime I planned it, somebody would be coming over to visit me at the house so that I could not go on with the plan. One day, somebody called me up to ask if I am interested to work in a household. I decided to go for it to divert my attention. This was in August of 2010. Praise God, my employer is a member of FJC and a cellgroup leader so I was encouraged to join her cellgroup here in CDO. Then I understood and realized how God really loves me to preserve me from destruction. I then joined the Alpha course which started October last year and I graduated this January. The Lord has the best plan for my life and I love HIM so much! I also learned to forgive my ex-boyfriend. Glory to God!"

Sis. Rosemarie Madria

"I want to glorify the Lord for what He has done in our FBMO here in Misamis Oriental. After the FBMO, I asked for some brief testimonies from the recipients and the FBMO Pastor, Ptr. Jess Baula stood first. He said that during the sharing of the Word, he got so convicted by the Lord with our vision as stated in Matthew 24:14 because he said he has gone cold in evangelizing. In the recent funeral wake of his grandchild in Davao, the opportunity was there to share Jesus to the guests according to him, but he deliberately dismissed the idea thinking that the bible could have no effect to those present, knowing their background. He said our FBMO sharings opened his eyes to evangelize again so he said he will go back as soon as possible to those people in Davao and share Jesus to them. Praise God! Also, he said that even during the FBMO, he texted his brother whom he could not forgive for a past family feud to reconcile with him as he got so convicted by God's Word that he heard that very moment. Hallelujah! What was amazing also was that he was not feeling well that day and thought of not attending the FBMO. He changed his mind and attended. Praise God for His wonderful work of transformation!"

Pastor Vicky

MATTHEW 24:14

"And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come."

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Sunday

ANG KASALANAN NG KAPALALUAN *
(SERYE NG - KAMUHIAN ANG KASAMAAAN,
KAMUHIAN ANG KASALANAN)

Excerpts from the Preaching of the Word of God
By Asst. Pastor Chit Hiteroza
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1. Ang kapalaluan ang pinaka-unang kasalanan. Ito ang naging kasalanan ni Lucifer. Ito rin ang ugat ng salang orihinal ni Adan at Eba. Ang kapalaluan ang pinakadakila sa lahat ng mga kasalanan dahil ito ang tuktok ng pagmamahal sa sarili at ito ay tuwirang salungat sa pagpapasakop sa Diyos. .
2. Ano ang kapalaluan? Ang kapalaluan ay labis na pananalig sa sariling kakayahan na humahadlang sa pagkilala sa kagandahang-loob ng Diyos. Ito ay tinaguriang ang kasalanan na pinagmumulan ng lahat ng kasalanan. Kilala rin ang kapalaluan bilang BAN-IDAD.
3. Kinamumuhian ng Diyos ang palalo at kinalulugdan Niya ang mababang-loob. Santiago 4:6, 1 Pedro 5:5. Ang problema sa kapalaluan ay madalas natin itong makita sa iba ngunit hindi natin ito makita sa ating sarili. Roma 2:21. Hingin natin sa Diyos na ihayag sa atin ang kasalanan ng kapalaluan sa ating buhay. May tatlong (3) anyo ng kapalaluan na maaaring taglay natin: Kapalaluan ng Pagiging Matuwid, Kapalaluan mula sa Mga Nagawa o Mataas na Naabot, at Kapalaluan mula sa Espiritung Hindi Nagpapasakop.
4. Kapalaluan ng Pagiging Matuwid. Ang sinumang nagpapalagay na siya'y mabuti kaysa iba sa larangan ng Kristiyanismo, Politika, Economiya, Mga Polisiya sa Kapaligiran, Pamilya atbp.

* "Reference: Respectable Sins by Jerry Bridges".

- a. Sa larangan ng moralidad at relihiyon, may tina-tawag na **Kapalalulan ng Fariseo** na makikita natin sa Lucas 18:9 & 11. Itinataas ang sarili at hinahatulan ang iba.
- b. Ang karunungan (**Kapalaluan mula sa Kaalaman ng Doktrina**) ay nagbubunsod sa tao upang magpalalo. 1 Corinto 8:1
- c. Paano natin iingatan ang ating sarili laban sa kapalaluan ng pagiging matuwid?
 1. Paka-isipin na walang sinuman ang ipinanganak ng matuwid. Ang lahat ay nagkasala. Awit 51:5
 2. Hingin at pasalamatang Panginoon sa kagan-dahang-loob upang pagtagumpayan ang kapalaluan sa ating buhay.
 3. Kilalanin ang kasalanan ng iba. Si Ezra ay matuwid ngunit nang nagkasala ang Israel, siya ay naki-isa sa kasalanan ng mga tao at ipinahayag niya ang mga ito na parang sarili niyang kasalanan. Ezra 7:10, 9:6

5. **Kapalaluan mula sa Mga Nagawa o Mataas na Naabot**

- a. Hindi mali ang maghangad na maging matagumpay at magkaroon ng mataas na naabot. Ang bunga ng katiyagaan ay tagumpay. 2 Timoteo 2:15. Ang tagumpay ay mula sa Panginoon. 1 Samuel 2:7-8.
- b. Hindi tayo dapat maging palalo dahil sa ating mga naabot o nagawa dahil ang lahat ng ito ay galing sa Diyos. 1 Corinto 4:7
- c. Marami sa atin ang nagnanais na kilalanin. Lucas 17:10. Ang pagkilala ay galing din sa Diyos. Awit 75:4

6. **Kapalaluan mula sa Espiritung Hindi Nagpapasakop**

- a. Ilan sa mga tanda na tayo ay hindi nagpapasakop ay: laban tayo sa mga awtoridad at hindi tayo tumatanggap ng katuruan.
- b. Upang iingatan natin ang ating sarili laban sa ganitong kapalaluan, naisin natin na matuto mula sa:
 1. Salita ng Diyos. Alamin natin ang sinasabi ng kasulatan tungkol sa kapalaluan at pagpapasakop.
 2. Mga taong malago sa pananalig. Tularan natin ang kanilang mga halimbawa.
 3. Sa taong may malasakit sa ating ikabubuti at nagbibigay ng mabuting payo. Hebreo 13:7

7. **Paano labanan ang KAPALALUAN:**

- a. Kilalanin ang responsibilidad na labanan ang kapalaluan. Alamin ang mga bahagi ng kapalaluan sa iyong buhay, ipahayag ang iyong mga kasalanan at tanggapin ang iyong kapatawaran (1 Juan 1:9), manalangin at pagsumakitan na magpakumbaba sa pamamagitan ng kapangyarihan ng Espiritu Santo.

- b. Mag-memorya at sundin ang Salita ng Diyos. Ingatan ang Salita ng Diyos sa iyong puso. Awit 119:11
- c. Magkaroon ng “accountability partner” o isang “buddy” na magpapaalaala, magpapalakas ng iyong loob at manalangin para sa iyo. Mangangaral 4:9-10

Mga Katanungang Pantalakay:

1. Alin sa tatlong (3) anyo ng kapalaluan ang nagkikita mo sa iyong sarili? Sa anong paraan?
2. Anong mga praktikal na paraan ang iyong naiisip gawin para iingatan ang iyong sarili at mapagtagumpayan ang kapalaluan sa iyong buhay?
3. Ano ang iyong saloobin tungkol sa mga awtoridad? Paano ka gumalang sa mga awtoridad sa iyong buhay?

SEMINAR ON ISRAEL

Last March 12, 2011, we had the first Israel seminar in 2011 held in the Church of Cornerstone Christian Church in San Jose del Monte, Bulacan. There were 52 pastors from different Bulacan-based churches and 30 pastors, elders and workers from Cornerstone. While waiting for the other attendees, we taught them some Hebrew songs. The seminar started at 10 AM with the Praise and Worship led by Pastor Richard Nillo. We were so blessed and the presence of the Holy Spirit was felt in our midst. Then Pastor Lucie was introduced and she talked about "Israel, the Church and You". There was one pastor who testified about the new wisdom and knowledge revealed by the Lord through Pastor Lucie and the Word of God she shared about Israel. They now understand why we should bless and what we should pray for Israel. After lunch, the Free Bible Ministry was also shared with them. There were some pastors who were already recipients of our FBM but there were still many of them who just learned about our ministry. They immediately made their requests after giving them the policies and guidelines. The seminar ended at around 5 PM and the participants enjoyed snacks of pancit (offered by one of the attendees) and drinks before they left. Praise God for the Israel Ministry!

Feedback from Pastors and leaders during the seminar:

1. One of the Pastors of Cornerstone Christian Church shared that, he was so much blessed because, this was the first time he heard about the truth with regards to Israel... “This is an eye opening to us, alam ko pro Israel tayo, pero hindi ko alam kung bakit, ngayon nalaman ko kung ano ang papel ko bilang isang Kristiano sa bansang Israel.” “Napaiyak ako sa pinakitang video kung papano kumilos ang Diyos sa buhay nang mga Jew. Ngayon ko lang naintindihan ang katotohanan hindi biro ang ginawa at ang pagtawag niya sa ating mga Hentil, tayo pala ang gagami-

tin niya para maisakatuparan ang kanyang pangako sa bansang pinili niya.” He got the burden, on how he will pray for Israel. Sabi niya.. “Simula ngayon, alam ko na kung paano ko ipapanalangin ang Israel, pray for His people, and pray for the leaders of the United Nations, who are the deciding factor.”

2. Another leader in the Intercessory Ministry, got the burden to pray for the peace of Jerusalem, he said that from now on they will give priority and number one in their prayer list, and they are actually asking for the list of prayer points and other factors that they needed to pray.
3. Another leader shared that “she was so much blessed with the speaker (Ptra. Lucie Peralta) for her total devotion on Israel ministry, ang galing nyang magde-liber ng message especially the Word of God that she shared, which leads us to open our mind about the truth on God’s love to His people...”
4. In behalf of Cornerstone Christian Church, we are very thankful for the gift of time that the Friends of Jesus Christ has shared with us and be a part of Israel Ministry. God richly bless you all.....

Free Bible Ministry Outreaches

Date	Place	Date	Place
CLTR A		CLTR C	
Mar 18	Masbate City (12)	Mar 19	Calinog, Iloilo
18-19	Balud, Masbate (9)	19	Duenas, Iloilo
18-19	Mandaon, Mas (3)	19	Tapaz, Capiz
18-19	Baleno/Milagros	20	Tangala, Kalibo
19	Mobo, Masbate	CLTR D	
19	Uson, Masbate	Mar 19	Pangasinan (5)
18-19	Cataingan, Mas (6)	20	La Union
CLTR B		20	Pangasinan (2)
Mar 26	Alicia, Isabela	20	Muntinlupa
26	Santiago, Isabela	CLTR E	
26-27	Narra, Palawan	Mar 20	Quirino—Diffun
26-27	Puerto Princesa	19-20	Pangasinan (5)
27	Cordon, Isabela	27	Laguna